

Sangamon County LEPC

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AGENDA

January 18, 2007

8:30 AM

Office of the State Fire Marshal
1035 Stevenson Drive
Springfield, IL 62703

Meeting called to order by David Butt, Chairman

Acceptance of minutes from last meeting (11/16/2006)

Recognition of LEPC members and visitors

Old Business

Review of Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986

Partners

SERC

NOAA

OSHA

Mandates

“Two-tier” inventory reporting

Planning requirements for EHS facilities

Emergency Coordinator’s Report on Progress of Site Specific Planning Project

Verizon Wireless facilities

CWLP facility

New Business

Summary Report Relative to LEPC Activities During 2006

Ice Storm of December 1, 2006

Comments from our Invited Visitors

Other

Next meeting: March 15, 2007

Motion to adjourn

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MINUTES OF THE SANGAMON COUNTY LEPC MEETING – January 18, 2007

- I.** The Chair, David Butt, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. at the State Fire Marshal's Office Conference Room, 1035 Aldai Stevenson Drive, Springfield Illinois.

Members present included: John Brennan, *Memorial Medical Center*; Matt Brown, *American Red Cross*; David Butt, *Sangamon County Office of Emergency Management*; Brian Churchill, *St. John's Hospital*; Ray Cooke, *Sangamon County Office of Bioterrorism Preparedness*; Dave Farris, *City Water Light & Power*; Matt Helms, *Springfield Fire Department (retired)*; Pat Metz, *City Water Light & Power*; Al Pinter, *Springfield Police Department*; Dick Rentschler, *Rochester Fire - Rescue*; Bill Russell, *Sangamon County Rescue Squad*; Kim Spann, *Sangamon County Department of Public Health*; Jim Strutz, *ASIS*; Becky Styron, *Occupational Health & Safety Administration*; Linda Swartz, *Sangamon County Department of Public Health*; Kevin Switzer, *Springfield Fire Department* and Mike Zagotta, *Southern Illinois School of Medicine*

Guests present were: Chris Miller and Ernie Goetsch, *National Weather Service*; Brian Forrester, *Hope School* and Russ Steil and Kathy Allen, *Illinois Emergency Management Agency*.

- II.** A motion was made by Jim Strutz, seconded by Becky Styron, to approve the minutes of the November 16th, 2006, LEPC meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Old Business

The Chair led a review of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) using a summary from the CAMEO manual. Recognition of our partnerships with the SERC, NOAA and OSHA was made and specifically directed toward Ms. Allen, Mr. Miller, Mr. Goetsch and Ms. Styron.

Reporting requirements using Tier II forms and planning requirements for facilities with EHS chemicals were discussed. The Chair indicated that 2 days earlier a newspaper reporter had sought to review the County's comprehensive emergency response plan citing authority for access through EPCRA.

IV. New Business

Matt Helms gave an EHS presentation. EHS plans for companies were passed around for viewing. The following 2 plans were completed: Verizon Wireless (Glenarm Tower and Rochester Tower). Although not finalized, the plan for CWLP was also viewed. This plan is larger than any completed thus far because it will include internal planning for anhydrous ammonia and chlorine.

The CWLP plume map was explained. Chris Miller discussed various programs at NWS that could help if there was a chemical release. The Doppler radar system can detect some plumes on a real-time basis. Their "High Split" program can plot plume data for events, if they have the longitude, latitude and chemical involved.

The Chair presented the committee with a proposed 2006 report of activities to be sent to IEMA. A motion was made by Kevin Switzer, seconded by Pat Metz to accept the report as presented. The motion passed unanimously and copies of the report were given to Ms. Allen and Mr. Steil.

Kevin Switzer led a review of the 2006 Ice Storm. At one point, there were 90 calls backed-up at 9-1-1 center. He responded to the 9-1-1 center to assist and suggested that both police and fire should consider doing so in the future for major events to help prioritize calls and improve the response system callout.

The Chair reported that the federal government needed to have expenses of more than \$14 million reported for the state to qualify for federal assistance. Russ Steil reminded everyone that requests for state assets have to be routed through the OEM manager.

Dick Rentschler reported that his fire department experienced a lot of carbon monoxide calls during the storm. It was suggested that the health department work jointly with the fire service to provide more education to the public on the hazards of CO.

Matt Brown reported that the Red Cross was busier with the Ice Storm response activities than they were during the tornadoes earlier in 2006 (what-a-year!).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Brian Churchill, seconded by Matt Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2007 at the Office of the State Fire Marshal.